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Swansea Mine

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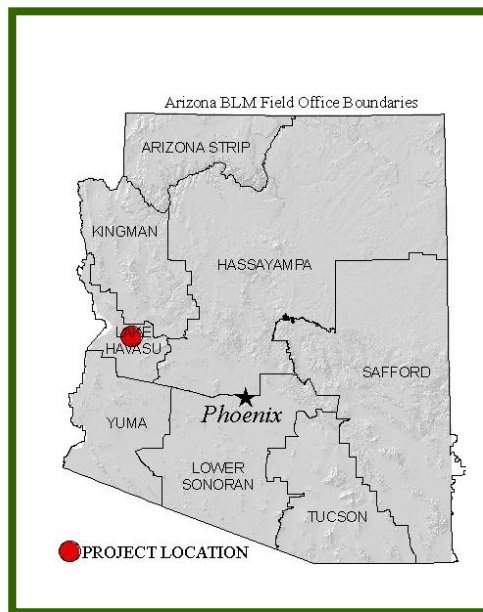
The Swansea Mine is located in the Bureau of Land Management Lake Havasu Field Office, in La Paz County, Arizona. The mine is part of the Swansea Townsite which was home to 500 people in the early 20th century. The Swansea Townsite is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and is a popular winter visitor destination. There are numerous openings that pose a high risk of injury or death to the public at this time. This project consists of constructing two bat friendly gates for adit closures, nine bat friendly cupolas for mine shaft closures, and filling in nine test pits/shafts to reduce public safety risks and protect sensitive wildlife habitat and cultural resources.

Recovery Act Funding

The Caymus Corporation of Tempe, Arizona was awarded a contract for \$181,305.00 for the Swansea Mine project.

Benefits

The reclamation work will mitigate the most dangerous and visible hazard the abandoned mines pose to the public. BLM will contract for the fabrication and installation of bat gates and cupolas to preserve bat habitat in abandoned mines, as well as prevent entry into those shafts and adits by the public. The test pits to be filled in have steep walls and exceed eight feet deep. Filling the test pits will eliminate those public hazards. The visiting public will benefit by the overall reduced public safety risk.



More Information

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